

TENNESSEE MEDICAL LABORATORY BOARD

POLICY STATEMENT ALTERNATE SITE TESTING POINT OF CARE LABORATORY TESTING 1200-06-03-.16 ADVANCE PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES

The Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board recognizes the education and training requirements for licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) to be those which would automatically include these licensees in all exemptions given to registered nurses per Rules and Regulations Governing Medical Laboratories 1200-06-03-.16.

This category of licensure issued by the Tennessee Board of Nursing, formerly known as the advance practice nurse (APN).

The advanced practice registered nurse's license must be current and in good standing.

Conversely, this policy for point of care events (POCT's) does not apply to registered nurses (RN's).

Registered nurses cannot automatically perform point of care testing procedures that have been approved for advanced practice registered nurses.

Registered nurses still require board review on a case by case basis.

This policy was adopted by the Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board on the 20th of April 2017.